



**AMENDMENT AFTER FINAL  
REJECTION**

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In response to the Final Rejection dated October 23, 2006, and in light of the Notice of Appeal filed thereto, please amend the above identified application as follows.

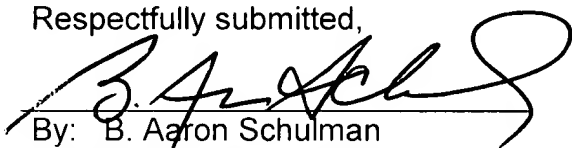
above identified application as follows.

- **Amendments to the Specification** are reflected in the marked-up paragraphs provided herewith in **Attachment A**.
- **Amendments to the Claims** are reflected in the listing of the claims provided herewith in **Attachment B**.
- **Remarks** are provided herewith in **Attachment C**.
- A **Statement Regarding Patent Deposit** is also attached.

In light of the amendments and arguments presented herein, Applicant submits that upon entrance of the amendment, the present application will be placed in condition for allowance.

Respectfully submitted,

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